James Arango

Public Health Emergency & Crisis Management Specialist

Global emergency management and public health preparedness leader with 15+ years of experience in crisis response across state, federal, and international sectors, specializing in strategic planning and multi-agency coordination.

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15 Years of experience

Professional Bio:

James Arango is an emergency management and public health professional with experience in federal, state, and international response operations. His work has spanned disaster planning, outbreak response, and humanitarian coordination, supporting agencies like USAID, FEMA, and state health departments.
As an Emergency Response Advisor at USAID's Bureau for Global Health, James supports outbreak responses, and provides long-term strategic guidance on building emergency management capacity within the Bureau.
Previously, James served as an Operational Response Planner at FEMA Region 6, where he developed catastrophic incident response plans for biological and

Skills & Expertise:

Project Management, Global Health, Humanitarian Assistance, Strategic Planning, Conflict & Stabilization, Infrastructure / Energy

Sectors of Work:

International Development, Public Health, Emergency Relief, National Security / Defense

Languages Spoken:

English, Spanish

nuclear emergencies spanning 5 states. His work contributed to FEMA's all-hazards planning framework and improved resource tracking for major disaster responses.

At the Texas Department of State Health Services, James held leadership roles in emergency preparedness, outbreak detection, and medical countermeasure distribution. He has led full-scale bioterrorism response exercises and integrated state operations with federal partners during large-scale health crises.

James holds master's degrees in Public Health (MPH) and Applied Anthropology (MA) from the University of South Florida. He is Certified in Public Health (CPH). His experience includes instructing emergency management courses and directing multi-agency disaster exercises.His work continues to focus on strengthening emergency response frameworks and ensuring effective coordination in crisis situations.

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